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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

the following amendments prior to the examination of the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-20 and add claims 41-

- An information processing apparatus:
 - a reading unit for reading an actual object;
 - a file storage unit for storing electronic information
- display unit for displaying said electronic information;
- a link storage unit for storing link information that designates a linking relation between said actual object and